and do not feel that you have to live with a particular bloom indefinitely to get the value from the blossom. There is no limit to the variations that may be worked out with Hibiscus and they are in perfect taste either as a color contrast or an accent.

For arrangements they are particularly satisfying. Hibiscus do not need to be placed in water. They are quite as gay for their entire life span out of water as in. This fact makes them adaptable to many, many types of arranging not possible with flowers requiring water. You can do anything with them for they are truly "Queens For A Day".

Take a complete length of wire and tape them on for the entire length of your piece of wire. When that detail is finished they are then placed in pre-arranged backgrounds of suitable greens that lends itself to the decorating requirement. For tables, for mantles or any spot that needs brightening you can tape and wire these blooms into any foundation. They are lovely when individually wired on floral picks and used in a styrofoam base, however, if you do not have such an accessory use your favorite container and let the artist in you come alive.

The basic knowledge that you need is to become proficient in using tape and wire. For church or home there is always a suitable color from the flambouyant to the most demure pastel. When you have a string of blooms taped, secure it in to the desired position of your foundation, making certain that it is adequately fastened and supported. One infallible rule for good arranging is never use too many flowers; do not overcrowd your arrangements, rather place the blooms so that their individual beauty is shown to best advantage.

Hibiscus are fun to grow, fun to know and they can lift your spirits so start accenting your pattern of living with their loviliness. If your activity has stopped at the growing level you have missed half of the fun.

Take some wire and a roll of floral tape and have fun with these lovely flowers.

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TOP TWENTY FIVE IN POINT RATINGS FOR 1957

Ralph H. Philo, Ft. Myers	3.90
W. I. Crocker, New Smyrna Beach	2.54
F. C. White Nursery, Holly Hill	1.77
Mr. & Mrs. C. S. McCall, Palatka	1.64
T. C. Hudson Nursery, Daytona Beach	1.57
Mr. & Mrs. Steven Johnson, Orlando	1.36
Mr. & Mrs. Harvey Hartley, Jacksonville	1.34
Charlie & Billie Calais, Goldenrod	1.23
Mrs. Ailene Craig, Ft. Myers	1.13
Mr. & Mrs. L. T. King, Vero Beach	.89
Mr. & Mrs. Wm. Cutler, St. Petersburg	.82
Mr. & Mrs. J. L. Sparkman, Jacksonville	.79
Mr. Henry Hopkins, Daytona Beach	.72
Mrs. Wm. W. McKnight, Jacksonville	.72
Mr. & Mrs. Paul Goodman, Orlando	.71
Mr. W. H. Schultz, Auburndale	.54
Mr. Dow G. Beck, Jacksonville	.53
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Schmidt, Port Orange	.52
Mr. J. D. Elliott, Ft. Myers	.52
Mr. & Mrs. J. L. Stinson, Vero Beach	.51
Mr. & Mrs. Tommie Viers, Lake Helen	.49
Mrs. James Webb, Jacksonville	.47
Mr. & Mrs. S. W. Teague, Vero Beach	.46
Mrs. K. M. Denman, Orlando	.45
Mr. & Mrs. L. K. Thompson, Bartow	.44